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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Martin Schamaun, M. D. and
Adrian Kantrowitz, M. D.
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Dear Drs. Schamaun and Kantrowitz:


As you probably know, the McGuire Veterans Administration Hospital is one of the paraplegic centers in the U. S. At our center we have handled over 1600 paraplegics in the past 18 years, having from 140 to 180 paraplegics at all times.

We have noted your excellent work in your articles appearing in the Journals of Surgery, Science and in the Surgical Forum of the A.C.S. We would very much like to begin similar work as we have a wealth of material having over 85 patients in which we have converted the bladders from an upper motor to a lower motor neuron type of bladder by subarachnoid alcohol injection, sacral rhizotomy or conectomy.

Would it be possible for us to send one of our residents to observe your work for a few days? This most certainly would be at your convenience but we would very much like to send him the second or third week in January. Fortunately, we have a resident who is a Harvard graduate that did quite a bit of work in electronics while in the Armed Forces during the Korean War before entering medicine.

This would be greatly appreciated by not only my urological service but our neurosurgery service and our Chief of Staff whom I have spoken to about our wishes. Thank you. I would appreciate a reply to this letter so that if you find it possible for our man to come to you for a few days, we can make necessary arrangements.

Very sincerely,


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